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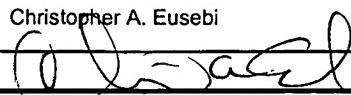
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AMENDMENT

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In response to the Office Action mailed September 28, 2005, please amend the application as follows and consider the remarks set forth below.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.